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Whereas, the vitality of our county depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces and communities;

Whereas, crime and fear of crime destroy our trust in others and in institutions, threatening the community's health, prosperity and quality of life;

Whereas, people of all ages must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves, their families, neighbors and co-workers from being harmed by drugs, violence and other crime;

Whereas, the personal injury, financial loss, and community deterioration resulting from crime are intolerable and require investment from the whole community;

Whereas, crime prevention initiatives must include self protection and security, but they must go beyond these to promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safer for all ages and to develop positive educational and recreational opportunities for young people;

Whereas, adults must invest time, resources, and policy support in effective prevention and intervention strategies for youth, and teens must be engaged in driving crime from their communities;

Whereas, effective crime prevention programs excel because of partnerships among law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses and individuals as they help nurture communal responsibility and instill pride;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that October 2005 be proclaimed "Crime Prevention Month" in the County, and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to invest in the power of prevention and work together for the common good.

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